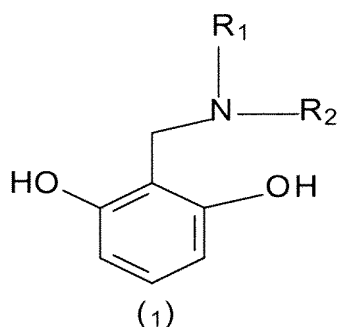


LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented) A compound of formula (1):



wherein R<sub>1</sub> is selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> mono or dihydroxyalkyl, and phenyl or benzyl optionally substituted with a hydroxyl, amino or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>3</sub> alkoxy group, and R<sub>2</sub> is selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> mono or dihydroxyalkyl, and phenyl or benzyl optionally substituted with a hydroxyl or amino group.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented) A compound of Claim 1 wherein R<sub>1</sub> is selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>3</sub> alkyl group, and phenyl or benzyl optionally substituted with an alkoxy group, and R<sub>2</sub> is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and benzyl.

Claim 3 (Original) A compound of Claim 2 wherein R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen and R<sub>2</sub> is phenyl.

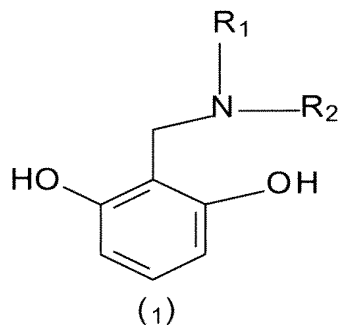
Claims 4-24 (Canceled)

Claim 25 (Previously Presented) A compound selected from the group consisting of:

2-phenylaminomethyl-benzene-1,3-diol;  
2-(pyridin-3-yl-aminomethyl)-benzene-1,3-diol;  
2-dimethylaminomethyl-benzene-1,3-diol;  
2-dihydroxyethylaminomethyl-benzene-1,3-diol;  
2-hydroxymethylaminomethyl-benzene-1,3-diol;  
2-benzylaminomethyl-benzene-1,3-diol;  
2-aminomethyl-benzene-1,3-diol; and  
2-(2-methoxy)phenylaminomethyl-benzene-1,3-diol.

Claim 26 (Withdrawn). A hair dyeing composition comprising, in a suitable carrier or vehicle, an effective hair dyeing amount of:

- (A) at least one primary intermediate, and
- (B) at least one coupler comprising a compound of the formula (1):



wherein  $R_1$  is selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_5$  alkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_5$  mono or dihydroxyalkyl, and phenyl or benzyl optionally substituted with a hydroxyl, amino or  $C_1$  to  $C_3$  alkoxy group, and  $R_2$  is selected from the group consisting of  $C_1$  to  $C_5$  mono or dihydroxyalkyl, and phenyl or benzyl optionally substituted with a hydroxyl or amino group.